

## APPENDIX C: LEGISLATION

### 25. Devils Tower National Monument

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

#### A PROCLAMATION

[No. 658—Sept. 24, 1906—34 Stat. 3236]

WHEREAS, It is provided by section two of the Act of Congress, approved June 8, 1906, entitled, "An Act for the preservation of American Antiquities," "That the President of the United States is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to declare by public proclamation historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest that are situated upon the lands owned or controlled by the Government of the United States to be National Monuments, and may reserve as a part thereof parcels of land, the limits of which in all cases shall be confined to the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the object to be protected;"

AND, WHEREAS, the lofty and isolated rock in the State of Wyoming, known as the "Devils Tower," situated upon the public lands owned and controlled by the United States is such an extraordinary example of the effect of erosion in the higher mountains as to be a natural wonder and an object of historic and great scientific interest and it appears that the public good would be promoted by reserving this tower as a National monument with as much land as may be necessary for the proper protection thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by section two of the aforesaid Act of Congress, do hereby set aside as the Devils Tower National Monument, the lofty and isolated rock situated in Crook County, Wyoming, more particularly located and described as follows, to-wit:

Section seven, and the north half of the northeast quarter, the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter and lot number one of section eighteen, in township fifty-three north, range sixty-five; the east half of section twelve and the north half of the northeast quarter of section thirteen in township fifty-three north, range sixty-six, all west of the Sixth Principal Meridian, as shown upon the map hereto attached and made a part of this proclamation.

Warning is hereby expressly given to all unauthorized persons not to appropriate, injure or destroy any feature of the natural tower hereby declared to be a National monument or to locate or settle upon any of the lands reserved and made a part of said monument by this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington, this 24th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-first.

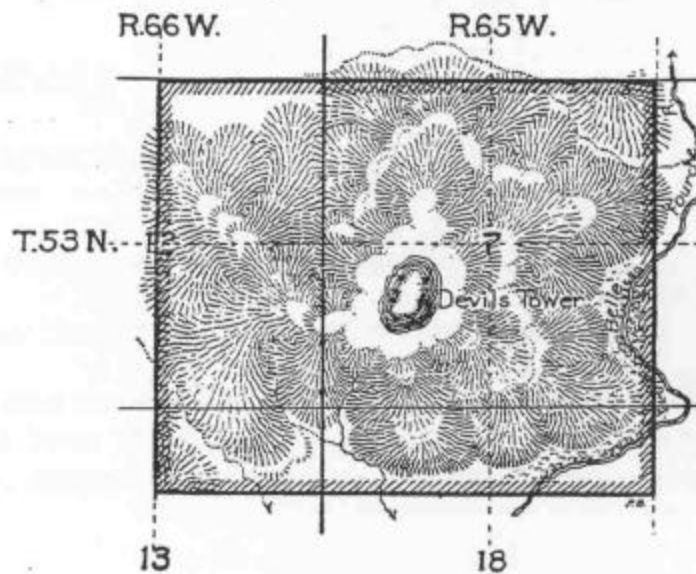
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

By the President:

ALVEY A. ADEE,  
*Acting Secretary of State.*

# DEVILS TOWER NATIONAL MONUMENT

Embracing Sec. 7 and the  $N\frac{1}{2}$  of  $NE\frac{1}{4}$ , the  
 $NE\frac{1}{4}$  of  $NW\frac{1}{4}$  and lot No. 1 of Sec. 18 in T. 53 N.,  
R. 65 ; the  $E\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 12 and the  $N\frac{1}{2}$  of  $NE\frac{1}{4}$   
of Sec. 13 in T. 53 N., R. 66 all West of the  
6<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian,  
WYOMING:  
Containing 1152.91 acres.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
GENERAL LAND OFFICE,  
W.A. Richards, Commissioner.

[MAP ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THE PROCLAMATION  
DATED SEPTEMBER 24, 1906.]

## 11. Devils Tower National Monument

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Addition of land to monument authorized in recognition of fiftieth anniversary of establishment; land exchanges authorized	
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An Act To provide recognition of the fiftieth anniversary of the Devils Tower National Monument, Wyoming, the first national monument, established by the President of the United States pursuant to the Antiquities Act of 1906; to authorize the addition of certain land to the monument, to permit land exchanges, and for other purposes, approved August 9, 1955 (69 Stat. 575)

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That, in recognition of the fiftieth anniversary of the Devils Tower National Monument, Wyoming, the first national monument, established on September 24, 1906, by the President of the United States pursuant to the Antiquities Act of 1906, and in order to provide suitable public campground facilities and other developments for the public benefit and to facilitate administration thereof, the Devils Tower National Monument hereafter shall include the following described land comprising approximately one hundred and fifty-five acres, which the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to procure in such manner as he shall find to be in the public interest:

Devils Tower  
National Monument.

34 Stat. 225.  
16 U.S.C. 431-  
433.

## SIXTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN

Township 53 north, range 65 west, section 18, south half northeast quarter, southeast quarter northwest quarter, north half southeast quarter, those parts lying north of and within a loop of the left bank of the Belle Fourche River; southwest quarter northwest quarter, that part lying west of the left bank of the Belle Fourche River;

Township 53 north, range 66 west, section 13, south half northeast quarter.

SEC. 2. For land exchange purposes, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to accept title to any land or interests therein situated within the area added to the national monument by this Act, and, in exchange for land or interests therein so accepted, to convey any national monument land or interests therein of approximately equal value situated in the northeast quarter of section 18, township 53 north, range 65 west, and lying east of the Belle Fourche River. National monument lands so conveyed for exchange purposes shall be excluded from the national monument. (16 U.S.C. § 431 note.)